



January 17, 2009

Attn: Renata Hesse, Antitrust Division Public Comment
U.S. Department of Justice
601 D Street, N.W., Suite 1200
Washington, D.C. 20530

Dear Renata Hesse:

I am pleased that after all the litigation, the US Department of Justice and a majority of the attorneys general have crafted a settlement for their antitrust suit against Microsoft Corp. I hope you agree with me that this is a positive development and a worthwhile proposal.

I have never been supportive of this suit and am glad to see it come to an end. It is heartening that the DOJ and nine AGs have found common ground with Microsoft and that all parties are willing to put this suit behind them. I believe that, short of dropping the suit, this is best course of action that could be taken. The DOJ and attorneys general get to prove their point that they have the wherewithal to enforce antitrust laws and Microsoft and the high tech industry are allowed to continue growing without regulation, but with a watchful eye over their shoulder.

Settlement of the case will help the DOJ and attorneys general focus on issues with a more direct impact on consumers.

Thank you for your consideration of this settlement and for accepting my comments.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lauren Van Meter'.

Lauren Van Meter, CEO
Streamline LLC